

## ABSOLUTE RATING: Excellent

Number of career centers in the state: 40.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from Average to Excellent.

### RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Excellent	N/A
2002		
2003		
2004		

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

Percent of students eligible to attend the center who enrolled in one or more courses: 65.09%

### PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Groups	Percent Mastering Core Competencies		Percent Receiving Diplomas		Percent Placed in Field	
	This Center	State Center Average	This Center	State Center Average	This Center	State Center Average
All Students	78.46%	73.65%	93.10%	94.64%	95.71%	96.21%
Students with disabilities on diploma track	N/A	48.53%	N/A	92.31%	100.00%	96.23%
Gender						
Male	78.36%	69.22%	91.09%	93.98%	95.77%	97.36%
Female	78.57%	78.86%	95.89%	95.35%	95.60%	94.85%
Ethnic Group						
White	82.70%	80.06%	96.67%	96.35%	96.53%	97.05%
African American	69.25%	64.34%	84.62%	91.79%	93.33%	94.82%
Other	85.00%	78.36%	100.00%	96.75%	N/A	95.33%
Lunch Status						
Free/reduced lunch	63.64%	65.94%	68.42%	91.21%	92.68%	94.19%
Pay for lunch	78.72%	76.40%	96.13%	95.81%	98.46%	98.05%

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Median Career Center
SCHOOL			
• Dollars spent per student	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Prime instructional time	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Student-teacher ratio	N/A	N/A	29.0 to 1
STUDENTS (n=1,402)			
• Attendance rate	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	N/A	N/A	N/A
TEACHERS (n=31)			
• Professional Development days per teacher	12.0 Days	Up from 7.1	8.5 Days
• Attendance rate	95.6%	Up from 94.5%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	35.5%	Down from 38.7%	24.0%
• Continuing contract teachers	77.4%	Down from 87.5%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	3.2%	Up from 3.1%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	85.5%	Down from 88.2%	90.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$38,553	Up 6.5%	\$39,220

### SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Median Career Center
SCHOOL FACTS			
• Dropout rate	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Director's years at the center	2.0	N/A	5.0
• Parents attending conferences	4.4%	N/A	27.8%
STUDENTS			
• Suspended or expelled	5	N/A	3
• With disabilities	0.0%	N/A	1.4%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	13.1%	N/A	18.0%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	1,402	N/A	643
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	10.5%	N/A	16.1%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

The Cherokee Technology Center serves Gaffney High School and Blacksburg High School. There are 679 students enrolled in fourteen program areas for students in grades ten through twelve.

Strategies for 2000-2001 included several goals outlined in the 20/20 Vision plan from the office of Career and Technology Education of the State Department of Education. Cherokee Technology Center chose the following strategies: 1. Students will master specific levels of performance on Career and Technology Education competencies (levels determined by S.D.E.). 2. Cherokee Technology Center will increase and promote the value of career and technology education in Cherokee County. 3. Cherokee Technology Center will develop collaboration efforts with local businesses and industries to provide world-class technology in career and technology education.

Strategy one was accomplished through the use of State standards to measure Cherokee Technology Center's competency passing rate. Teachers met with students to discuss progress at the end of each quarter. Strategy two was accomplished by teachers and students participating in the Gaffney High School Elective Fair, Career Day at some elementary schools, and by conducting 9th grade tours of Cherokee Technology Center. To accomplish strategy three, the faculty and staff participated with local businesses and industries on the School Advisory Council, the District's School-to-Work Council, and on program craft councils to provide students the opportunity to job shadow and participate in co-operative education. Spartanburg Technical College and Cherokee Technology Center worked closely to increase the distance-learning opportunities for students.

Eddie Baker, Director

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	78.3	78.2	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	91.3	85.9	
Satisfied with home-school relations	N/A	85.3	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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**Grades** 10-12 Career Center  
**Enrollment:** 1,402 Students

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School Grade:  
Excellent



### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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